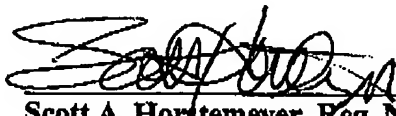


REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office action dated December 1, 2005. The Examiner has required the applicant to elect to prosecute one of 18 groups of claims identified in the Office Action. In response to the restriction requirement, applicant respectfully elects to prosecute the claims of Group IV, corresponding to claims 1, 10, 11, 12, 13-15 (in part) and 34 (in part), drawn to a modulator or effector of Mippl homologous polynucleotide, without traverse.

Applicant expressly reserves the right to present the non-elected claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequent to the present application. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this response, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

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